The assessment proceedings have already been initiated for assessment years 1990-91 to 2000-2001 and the scrutiny of accounts are in progress. At the points raised are being referred to the Chief Commissioner with instructions to investigate into the same during the course of assessment proceedings and to give a dear finding thereon in the assessment order.

I hope you will appreciate the position.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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Collection of taxes under Indo-Myanmar free trade agreement

245. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Central and State Agencies now posting for collection of export-import taxes at the Moreh (Manipur) under the Indo-Myanmar Free Trade Agreement, 1994 are failed to submit accurate details of collection of taxes; and

(b) the details of their collection of taxes on year-wise basis and the measures taken to improve and to correct the malpractice of agencies in this trans-border areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Export-import taxes are collected only by the Customs. Accurate details are regularly being submitted by the Customs regarding collection of import duty and cess on exports at Moreh Land Customs Station.

(b) Details of collection of taxes as above, on year-wise basis, are enclosed as per Statement. *(See* below).

No instance of malpractice by the Customs has been noticed.

Statement

Year-wise details of import duty and cess on exports collected at Moreh Land Customs Station

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Import Duty (In Rupees)	Cess on Export (In Rupees)
1.	1998-1999	46,27,832	9,12,962
2.	1999-2000	54,11,983	2,11,427
3.	2000-2001	1,22,60,853	3,24,236
4.	2001-2002 (Upto October 2001)	32,02,548	49,189

Downsizing of Ministries/Departments of Government

246. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Geethakrishnan Committee has made specific recommendations to reduce flab in the Finance, Information and Broadcasting, Coal, Petroleum and Chemicals Ministries;

(b) if so, what are its main recommendations;

(c) whether no Ministry is intended to implement the letter and spirit of the report of the Committee; and